SUPREME COURT STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

THE BANK OF NEW YORK AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS CWALT, INC. ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2006-OC8, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-OC8

Plaintiff,

VS.

DOMINGO HERNANDEZ A/K/A DOMINGO A.
HERNANDEZ, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC
REGISTRATION SYSYTEMS, INC., AS NOMINESS FOR
COUNTRYWIDE BANK, N.A., BANK OF AMERICA,
N.A., THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
and "John Doe #1 through John Doe #10", inclusive
the last ten names being fictitious and unknown to
plaintiff, the persons or parties intended being the
persons, tenant, occupants, or corporations, if any,
having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the
mortgaged premises described in the complaint,

Defendant(s).

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AMENDED ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIMS

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Christopher R. Cabanillas, an attorney duly admitted to practice law in the Courts of the State of New York hereby affirm the following to be true pursuant to CPLR § 2106:

- 1. I am the attorney of record for the defendant, **DOMINGO Hernandez** (hereinafter the "Defendant") in the above-captioned action, and as such am fully familiar with the facts and circumstances involved herein. The basis of my knowledge is verbal information and documents provided by Defendants.
- 2. I submit this Amended Answer as of right pursuant to CPLR 3025 (a) on behalf of the Defendant to amend and clarify the original Answer and Counterclaims.

- 3. On April 6, 2009, the Defendant served the Plaintiff with a Notice of Appearance, Verified Answer, Set-Offs and Counterclaims.
- 4. On or about April 16, 2009, we received Plaintiff's reply to the Answer alleging the following:
 - That Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act of 2007 has not yet been enacted into legislature; and
 - b. That Defendant did not properly state a cause of action for Plaintiff's negligence.
 - 5. We respectfully refer the Plaintiff to the following amendments.

AS AND FOR A SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

AND FIRST COUNTERCLAIM; PREDATORY LENDING

6. In reference to ¶ 17 of the original Answer (herein known as the "Answer"), the Defendant recants and strikes from the record its allegation that the Plaintiff violated the Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act of 2007 which is, in fact, still a bill not yet been enacted into legislature.

AS AND FOR A ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE AND

SIXTH COUNTERCLAIM; NEGLIGENCE

- 7. In reference to ¶¶ 38 and 39 of the Answer, that upon information and belief, THE BANK OF NEW YORK was negligent.
- 8. That upon information and belief, the Defendant was owed duties from THE BANK OF

 NEW YORK including, but not limited, to the following:
 - A duty to warn of the downside and financial perils associated with subprime mortgage;
 and
 - b. A duty to comply with Federal and State banking and consumer protection laws; and

- c. A common law duty and/or a duty imposed by statute, rule or regulation, to properly warn the Defendant and/or notify the Defendant of the potential increased payments and other financial hazards associated with a subprime mortgage; and
- d. A statutory duty to deliver the disclosure required under the Truth in Lending Act before the closing; and
- e. A common law duty of good faith and dealing; and
- f. A statutory duty of good faith and dealing as mandated under the Deceptive Practices Act
 (NY Gen. Bus. 349); and
- g. A contractual duty to refinance the loan created under the theory of promissory estoppel when the Defendant reasonably relied to his detriment upon the promise made by THE BANK OF NEW YORK.
- 9. That upon information and belief, THE BANK OF NEW YORK breached said duties.
- 10. That but for the breach of the said duties by THE BANK OF NEW YORK, the Defendant would not be facing an unconscionably high interest rate that has resulted in this foreclosure action taken against him.
- 11. Inat the breach of the said duties by **THE BANK OF NEW YORK** is the proximate cause for the unconscionably high interest rate and the foreclosure action the Defendant now faces.
- 12. That the Defendant is entitled to any and all actual or statutory damages resulting from the breach of said duties by Plaintiff **THE BANK OF NEW YORK** subject to the Court's determination.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant demands judgment against the Plaintiff dismissing the complaint herein; rescission of the subject mortgage and loan; and a return of all of the Defendants' payments made pursuant to such fraudulently induced mortgage/note, including statutory interest thereupon; and a judgment in the amount to be determined at trial as and for each of Defendants' Set-Offs and Counterclaims, and reasonable attorney's fees; and for such other, further and additional relief as this Court may seem just and equitable, including punitive damages for the fraudulent deeds of the Plaintiff; together with the costs and disbursements of this action.

Dated: White Plains, NY April 17, 2009

To: Jason E. Brooks, Esq.
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Christopher R. Cabanillas, Esq.

(Rule 130-1.1)

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VERIFICATION

I, Christopher R. Cabanillas, being duly admitted to practice before the Courts of

the State of New York, under penalties of perjury, do affirm as follows:

I am the attorney of record for the within Defendant. I have read the annexed

Amended Answer and Counterclaims and know the contents thereof and the same are

true to my knowledge, except those matters therein stated to be alleged upon information

and belief, and as to those matters, I believe them to be true. My belief, as to those

matters therein not stated upon knowledge is based upon documents and files available to

affirmant.

The reason I make this affirmation instead of the Defendant's is that the

Defendant was, in the county that my office is located in when this Amended Answer and

Counterclaims was sent out, to wit: Westchester County.

Dated: White Plains, New York

April 17, 2009

Christopher R. Cabanillas, Esq.

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE FOR THE AMENDED ANSWER AND COUNTERCLAIMS

State of New York, County of Westchester: ss.:

I, Peter Ching, being first duly sworn, hereby depose and say: I am not a party to the action, am over 18 years of age, have not served more than five service of process this year, and maintain a place of business at 245 Main Street, Suite 120, White Plains NY 10601.

On April 17, 2009, I served the a true copy of the above referenced <u>Amended Answer</u> and <u>Counterclaims</u> by US Postal first class mail to each of the following persons at the addresses set forth below:

To: Jason E. Brooks, Esq.
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Peter Ching

On this 12 day of 2009, before me personally came Peter Ching, to be known and known to me by satisfactory proof as the individual described in and who, being duly sworn, executed the foregoing document and acknowledged to me that s/he, Peter Ching, executed the same.

Jan H. Riley Notary Public State of New York NO. 02RI5019934

Qualified in Sullivan County Comm. Expires 01 Nov. 2009